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Applicant : Hakewill, et al.  
App. No. : 09/418,663  
Filed : October 14, 1999  
For : **METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR MANAGING THE  
CONFIGURATION AND  
FUNCTIONALITY OF A  
SEMICONDUCTOR DESIGN**  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit: 2763



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

1. On Page 1, line 6 of the specification as filed, please delete the following text:

-- Background of the Invention --

2. On Page 1, line 11 of the specification, after the sentence ending with "...October 14, 1998." but before the text beginning with "1. Field of the Invention", please insert the following Copyright Notice: